

# Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention

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### MEET THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



It is with great anticipation and excitement that I compose this first greeting to you. I am actually writing this message a few days before my start date as the Executive Director of the Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, but I wanted to express my commitment to working with all of you in achieving the agency's mission.

I look forward to getting to know many of you better in the coming weeks and having the opportunity to visit the organizations that were awarded grant funds from our agency. For the Program Year 2013-2014, CTF funded approximately 85 community-based child abuse

prevention programs across our great state. These programs work diligently every day to provide needed services to children and families. From parent education and support, home visitation, afterschool programs, mentoring initiatives and community awareness, our mission to prevent child abuse and neglect is accomplished through a variety of programs that strengthen families and protect children. Thank you for the opportunity to work with you in serving the children and families in Alabama.

Best Regards,

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### **Board Member Spotlight**

Clinton Johnson was appointed to the Board of the Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention on June 4, 2013, by Governor Robert Bentley. He is married to the former Barbara Gibson and has three daughters, one son and three grandchildren. Reverend Johnson received a Bachelor of Science in History and Sociology from Alabama A&M University and a Bachelor of Arts in Religion from the University of Mobile. He has a Master's in Rehabilitation Counseling from the University of South Alabama and was awarded a Honorary Doctoral degree in Theology from the Alabama Non-Denominational Theological Seminary.



Reverend Johnson retired in 1997 as a Rehabilitation Supervisor and Coordinator of Facility Services for the State of Alabama's Vocational

Rehabilitation Service after more than 27 years of service. He has served as Pastor of the (New) Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama since September 1988 and continues in service as the Servant Leader. More recently, Reverend Johnson worked as a Regional Sales Supervisor for American Education Insurance Company and continues to be involved in Real Estate Investments and Development.

He serves as a member of the Alabama State Baptist Convention, the Sunlight District Association and the National Baptist Convention. He is also a member of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance and Opportunity for Unity. In addition to his religious affiliations, he has served as a member of the Alabama A&M Trustee Board for six years and as President Pro Temp for two years. He is involved in numerous community activities for the Independent Living Center, Mobile Association for the Blind, Habitat for Humanity, Volunteers of America and has served on the Mobile Area United Way Board.

Reverend Johnson has numerous political achievements. He was elected to the Mobile City Council in 1985 and served six terms as member of the Council for District 3. He was the first African-American to serve two terms as Council President. He constructed the Clinton L. Johnson Center for Economic Development to assist the unemployed and underemployed to gain a foothold in life and built the Maysville Medical Clinic to make medical service available to the populous where no physician existed. He has spearheaded over 80 million dollars of dollars of drainage improvement and infrastructure repair and was instrumental in the construction of the Mobile Convention Center and the new West Mobile Library.

Through his career, he has received many awards for his Distinguished Service with the Alabama League of Municipalities, he was named Citizen of the Year with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity as well as with Palestine Temple #18. Reverend Johnson received the Washington Times Foundation American Century Award for promoting faith-based initiatives and service in community building and has been named Who's Who in Politics, Government and Among African Americans.

## Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood Training Session with Partner Agencies

Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood grantees attended a training session with partner agencies in Orange Beach on July 30-31. Speakers and topics included:

Stephanie McNutt—ICF International

Continuous Quality Improvement Sustainability: Identifying Additional Resources

Muriel Goosby—Saliba Family Service Center

Presentation on Case Management

- ◆ Felicia Woerner—University of Alabama School of Social Work DCAP/CTF Report
- Nigel Vann— ICF International
  Outreach and Marketing
- ◆ Ed Trumbull—ICF International Workforce Development—Key Issues
- Yolanda Adams—Family Guidance Center
  Presentation on Workforce Development





## **Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood Training**





The Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention (ADCANP) received a Site Visit from Prevent Child Abuse (PCA) America in August 2013. ADCANP is the Alabama Chapter of PCA. The mission of PCA is to "prevent the abuse and neglect of our nation's children" which includes physical, sexual, educational, emotional or peer-to-peer abuse. The Site Visit was conducted by Barbara Shaffer, Senior Director of Chapter Services, and James Hmurovich, President and CEO of PCA America. During the Site Visit, Hmurovich noted that he hadn't seen a partnership between Realtors® and a chapter like the one he encountered in Alabama. The proceeds from Realtor® car tags are donated to ADCANP for programs including Kid One Transport and Care House, Inc. in Baldwin County. Care House teaches Internet and On-Line Safety Training. PCA Alabama Program Director Harrison Black noted that through fundraising and car tag donations, Realtors® had donated over \$245,000 since the collaboration began in 2000.

In the next month, PCA Alabama will begin planning the Rally at the State House. The Rally takes place during Child Abuse Prevention Month in April of each year and brings together grantees, child abuse prevention advocates, and parents. Because of the more than 60 events that occur throughout the state, PCA Alabama was chosen as a case study by PCA America to highlight our "interesting or innovative CAP Month programming."

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### PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT—SPECIAL DELIVERIES



"Special Deliveries has helped me by helping me be a better parent. With my first child, I was 14 years of age and a parent, and at my school they had a program for pregnant teens and mothers and they used to come to my school. I wanted to drop out of school, but they helped me stay in school and get through it without giving up. I love them for helping me with my kids and getting my apartment."

-- Erica Thomas

"Special Deliveries has helped my family by teaching how to discipline by taking away their free time and using time out. It has also taught us how to build up strong relationships between our loved ones and family members. Throughout these four almost five years, I think they have done a great job by helping us and teaching us how to be wonderful parents".

---C.M.R.





"I think Special Deliveries is a great program. It helps women; younger or older with children who may need help with some issues they might have with either their child/children. It has helped me with some anger issues I had within myself. I'm a great mom and loving it!"

--Kamika

## **Check Presentations Around the State**



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#### MISSION STATEMENT

The Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention secures resources to fund evidence-based community programs committed to the prevention of child maltreatment; we advocate for children and the strengthening of families.

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